

RESOLUTION

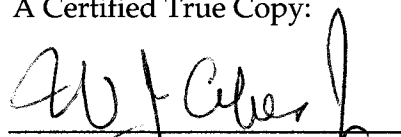
concerning

THE USE OF PLANT FUNDS
TO FINANCE
THE REPLACEMENT OF KAISER HALL'S GYMNASIUM FLOOR AND SEATING
AT
CENTRAL CONNECTICUT STATE UNIVERSITY

April 29, 2005

- WHEREAS, Central Connecticut State University (CCSU) is in the process of installing a new replacement floor and bleacher system for Kaiser Hall's gymnasium due to their state of disrepair, and
- WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees approved the use of up to \$530,000 of CCSU's plant funds to finance the project (BR#05-5) including \$67,500 for design of a new roof, and
- WHEREAS, The remaining funds were to be provided by a general obligation bond fund authorization to be allocated by the State Bond Commission, and
- WHEREAS, The university received favorable bids on February 17, 2005 for a total project cost of \$1,076,350, and
- WHEREAS, The university would like to complete the project as originally planned between May and September 2005, and
- WHEREAS, The State Bond Commission did not meet in February or April 2005 and the project was not included for consideration at the March meeting, therefore be it
- RESOLVED, That CCSU is authorized to utilize up to \$1,143,850 from their Plant Fund to finance the design of a new gymnasium roof and the design and replacement of Kaiser Hall's gymnasium floor and bleacher seating.

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 William J. Gibes, Jr.
 Chancellor

ITEM

The use of plant funds to finance the replacement of Kaiser Hall's gymnasium floor and seating at Central Connecticut State University (CCSU).

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

On January 28, 2005, the Board of Trustees approved the use of up to \$530,000 to finance the design and construction of a new flooring and bleacher system for Kaiser Gymnasium (BR#05-5). As noted in the staff report accompanying the resolution, the project is scheduled to be implemented between May and September of 2005.

The university received bids on February 17, 2005 resulting in a total project cost of \$1,076,350. Based upon the bids received, the university proposed to finance the project with \$650,395 of general obligation bond funds and \$425,955 in plant funds. Unfortunately, the February State Bond Commission meeting was cancelled, and the project was not included on the agenda of the March State Bond Commission meeting. We have been notified that the April State Bond Commission meeting has been cancelled as well. The university would like to move forward with the project as they have made all the corresponding scheduling adjustments, the floor is in a state of disrepair and it is anticipated that the project cost will increase over the course of the next year.

The university has already expended \$130,000 in plant funds to finance design of the project of which \$67,500 was spent on the design of the new roof and \$62,500 was spent on design of the new floor and bleacher system. The project has a shortfall of \$613,850 in available funds to complete construction. Therefore, permission is requested to expend up to \$1,143,850 from plant funds, which is an increase of \$613,850 from the \$530,000 authorized by the Board of Trustees in January 2005.

The designation of unrestricted fund balances for specific projects at a university is authorized by Board policy. Expenditure of these funds requires Board approval. Of particular note is that CCSU's undesignated fund balance meets the requirements of the Board's fund balance guidelines.

In order to expedite the initiation of the project to meet a critical deadline, the Executive Committee of the Board approved this request on April 29, 2005. In accordance with Board bylaws, ratification of this action will be requested at the May 6, 2005 meeting.

CHANCELLOR'S RECOMMENDATION

Ratify the action of the Executive Committee that approved the utilization of up to \$1,143,850 in plant funds by Central Connecticut State University to replace Kaiser's Halls gymnasium floor and bleacher system and to finance the design of a new roof.